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Subject: FMC Independent Study 1st Semi-Annual Report

Mr. Gervais, and Jon, please find attached a copy of the 1st Semi-Annual Report for the FMC Independent Study. Let me assure you the Tribes are rather excited to be able to pursue an Independent Study to evaluate treatment technologies for addressing elemental phosphorus waste streams. Development of technologies are in need to address this sort of contamination. This processing plant was the nations' largest. Tribes understand the importance of actually addressing these concerns rather than waiting for a catastrophic event to occur.

Idaho had another processing facility located approximately 60 miles to the south of this one that uses three electric arc furnaces while this one had four. Granted the facility also has a couple of other environmental technologies implemented that are different than that of FMC. FMC, in my opinion was not an environmental friendly company and the record clearly demonstrates that.

Hopefully, Argonne will be able to find a technologies that might be able to address these concerns. We look forward to working with you and your staff in this process.
Thank you for your time and cooperation in helping the Shoshone Bannock Tribes evaluate and/or implement some of the existing technologies in cleaning up our Reservation.
Kelly C. Wright
Environmental Waste Management Program Manager

1st SEMI-ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2014

Tribe's Name	Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
Tribal Environmental Contact Name	Kelly Wright, Environmental Waste Management Program Manager
Tribe's Phone Number	(208) 236-1049
Grant Name	Shoshone Bannock Tribes' FMC Independent Study
Grant Number and Project Period	V-00J69401-0
Reporting Quarter/Dates	October 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014
EPA's Project Officer Name and Address	<p>Greg Gervais USEPA Headquarters Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. <i>Mail Code:</i> 5203P Washington, DC 20460</p> <p>Jon Schweiss Office of the Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 Seattle, WA 98101</p>

ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Kelly Wright, Program Manager

Project Objective/Task from your Scope of Work, including targeted Completion Date	Describe what activities were undertaken this quarter to accomplish this Task (including status, summary, accomplishments & if the task is on schedule)	If you had problems, what corrective actions Did you take to resolve them?	How and when completed?
Objective #1. Scoping Task			
Develop scope of work document for the independent review work.	Argonne National Laboratories was agreed upon by both EPA and the Tribes who could perform an independent study to determine phosphorus waste treatment options. Waiting on Tribal Independent Contractor, David Reisman.	David Reisman is a retired EPA Employee and the Tribes could not hire him as a Consultant nor a contractor. He was told he had to be an employee working for the Tribes by the EPA –HQ Ethics Officer. Additional time was needed to get him hired.	Advised a fact will be estimated from Tribal from Cin from \$5,000
Objective #2. Product Review			

Reviewing and commenting Argonne reports	Tribes were able to get David hired as an employee in November. Changes were made by EPA removing Region 10 and added EPA-HQ.	First meeting was being scheduled when Tribes were actively involved in an ongoing legal battle with FMC so startup was delayed by a month.	
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Objective #3. Next Steps

Phase II Discussions	Pending the outcome from Phase I.	None	
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Objective #4. Project Management

Budget and Resource Management	Tribes were able to hire an independent professional to help with this evaluation. David started in November 2013.	After getting all approvals from the EPA-HQ Ethics Office, David was hired as an employee of the Tribes.	
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Comparison of Amount Budgeted vs. Amount Spent

Please describe how much you budgeted versus how much money you actually need to complete activities

Total Grant Amount Awarded: Total Budget Period Cost block on Grant Award Agreement for this figure	\$79,191.00	Amount Spent: How much money have you actually spent?
Funds Necessary to Complete this Project: How much money will it cost to complete this project?	\$72,054.45	Unexpended Funds Remaining in the Grant: How much money remains in your grant?
Funds Requested from EPA to Date: Cumulative; what is the total amount requested from EPA?	\$7,136.55	Amount & Date of Last Request for Reimbursement/Advance Payment?

Additional Information & Comments

tribes were told by Region 10 that the Tribes were jeopardizing this funding and that HQ was looking to take it back and use it elsewhere. The funding was changed and EPA-HQ will be the ones guiding this project with some oversight by Region 10.